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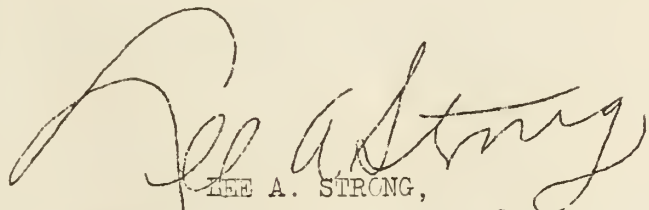
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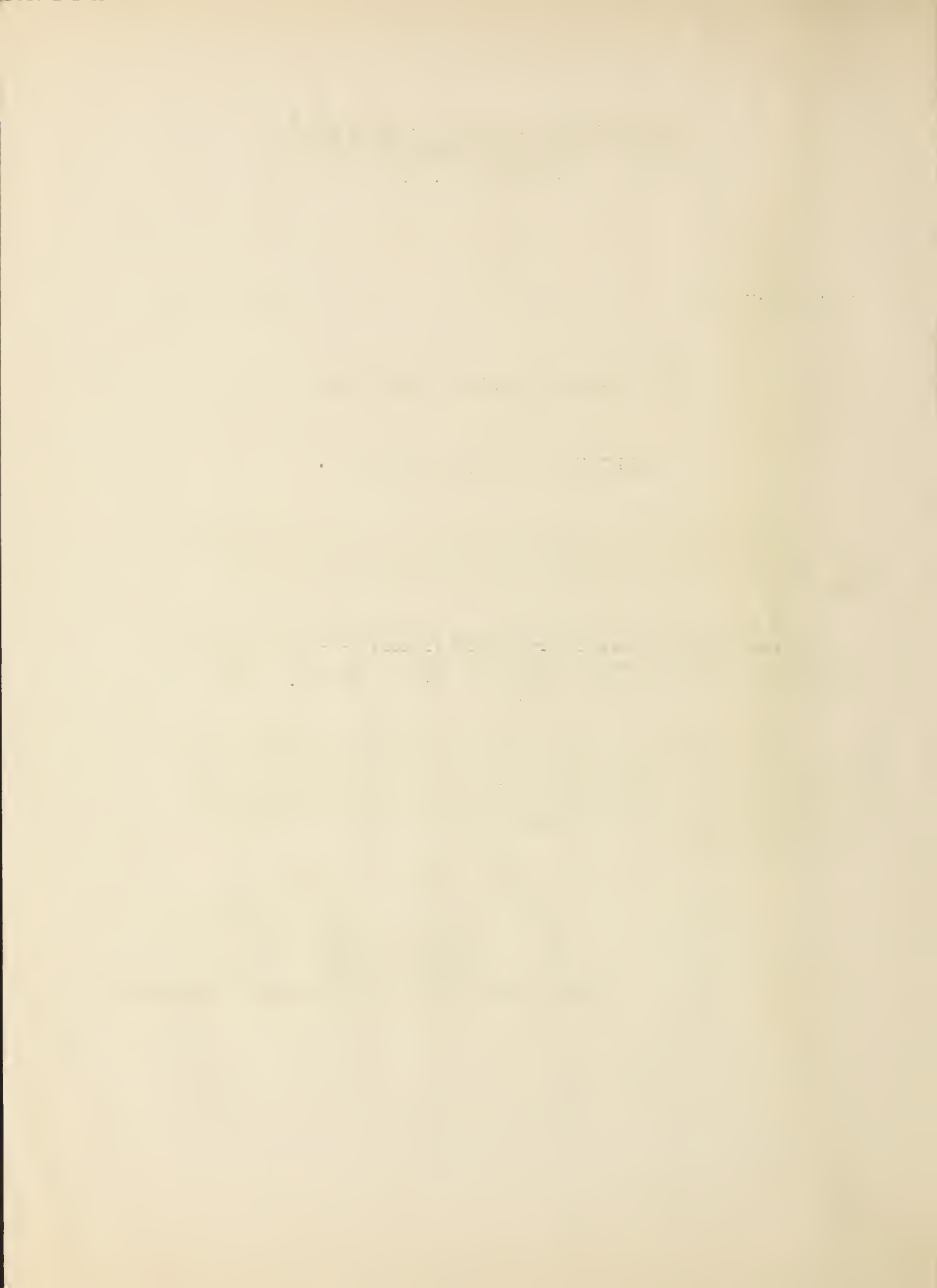
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This summary of the plant-quarantine import restrictions of Southern Rhodesia has been prepared for the information of nurserymen, plant-quarantine officials, and others interested in the exportation of plants and plant products to that Territory.

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The information contained in this circular is believed to be correct and complete up to the time of preparation, but it is not intended to be used independently of, nor as a substitute for, the original text of the ordinance, and it is not to be interpreted as legally authoritative. The ordinance itself should be consulted for the exact text.


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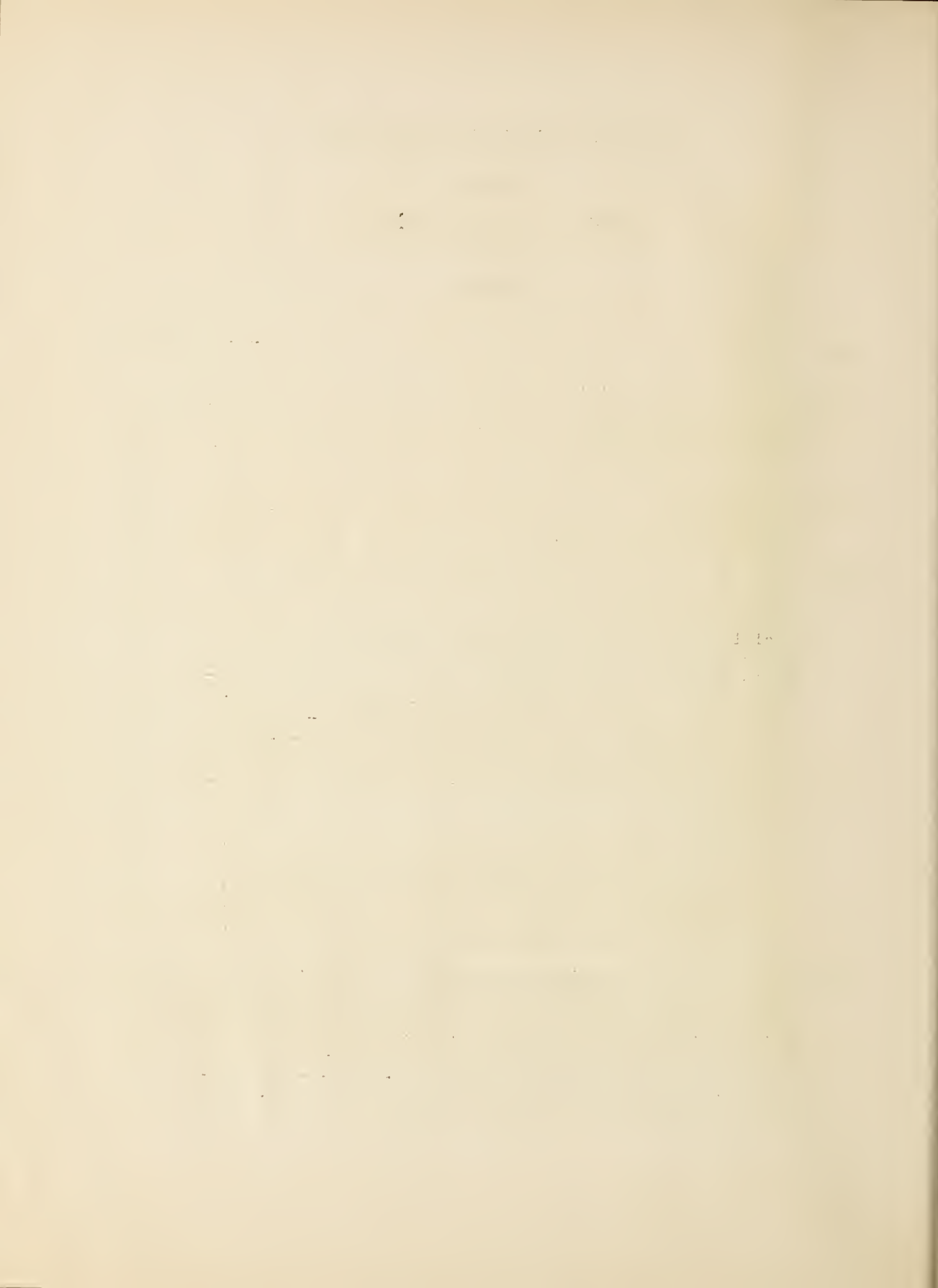
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BASIC LEGISLATION

Importation of Plants Ordinance, 1904.

Under this Ordinance the Importation of Plant Regulations (Government Notice No. 462, Aug. 5, 1932) were promulgated. Notice No. 462 cancels the following Government Notices, namely: No. 253 of 1913, No. 491 of 1921, No. 603 of 1921, No. 72 of 1922, No. 30 of 1926, No. 484 of 1926, No. 597 of 1928, No. 440 of 1929, No. 744 of 1929, No. 560 of 1930, and No. 369 of 1931.

SUMMARY

Importation Prohibited

The importation of the plants and plant products named in regulation 8 (1), page 3, is prohibited from all places outside the Scheduled States (Belgian Congo, Northern Rhodesia, and the Union of South Africa).

Importation Restricted

Departmental importations: The plants and plant products named in regulation 8 (2), page 4, are limited to introductions by or under the direct supervision of the Department of Agriculture, subject to prescribed precautionary measures, including quarantine and special permit.

Special permit required: The plants and plant products named in regulation 8 (3), page 4, may be imported only under special permit issued by the Department and under prescribed conditions.

Importation Unrestricted

Fruit, bulbs, tubers, garden vegetables, seeds, and such portions of plants as cannot be propagated, unless specially restricted or prohibited. (Reg. 8 (3) (i), p.4.)

GENERAL REGULATIONS

Definitions

Regulation 1. The following terms have the meanings respectively assigned to them if not inconsistent with the context:

"Plant" shall include everything in the nature of a plant, and the fruit, leaves, cuttings, bark, or any part thereof, whether living or dead, severed or attached, but shall not include seed, unless specifically mentioned, nor manufactured products of plants.

"Insect pest" shall mean any insect or other invertebrate animal which may be injurious to agricultural or horticultural products.

"Plant disease" shall mean any disease caused by fungus, bacterium, virus, or other organism which may be injurious to agricultural or horticultural products.

"Cotton seed" shall mean seeds of any species or variety of Gossypium.

"Cotton lint" shall mean cotton fiber from which all seeds have been removed by passage through a ginning machine, and shall refer to unmanufactured cotton generally, including linters and all kinds of cotton waste, but excluding purified cotton wool (absorbent cotton) and cotton batting.

"Scheduled States" shall include Belgian Congo, Northern Rhodesia, and Union of South Africa.

Reg. 2. These regulations shall apply generally to any plant imported into Southern Rhodesia.

Authorized Ports of Entry

Reg. 3. Plants may be introduced into Southern Rhodesia only by mail or through the following ports of entry: Beitbridge, Bulawayo, Gwelo, Plumtree, Salisbury, Umtali, or such port of entry

as the Minister of Agriculture and Lands may allow under special permit.

Regulations 4 to 7, inclusive. Administrative procedure concerning the importer or consignee.

ON THE INTRODUCTION OF PLANTS FROM OVERSEAS
AND NONSCHEDULED AFRICAN STATES

Reg. 8. The introduction of plants and plant products into Southern Rhodesia from overseas or from any nonscheduled African State shall be subject to the following restrictions:

(1) Importation prohibited:

- (a) Eucalyptus, acacia, conifers, oak (Quercus), plane (Platanus) plants or any part thereof except seed.
- (b) Live peach stones.
- (c) Fresh stone fruits.
- (d) Fresh citrus fruits, and dried citrus peel (candied citrus peel excepted).
- (e) Elm seeds and plants, including all species of Ulmus from Europe or any country where the elm disease (Graphium ulmi) is known to exist.
- (f) Chestnut seeds or plants, including all species of Castanea from North America or any other country where the chestnut blight disease (Endothia parasitica) is known to exist.
- (g) Any plant packed in soil other than special rooting compost.
- (h) Government Notice No. 516 of September 16, 1927, prohibits also the importation of seeds, fruit, stems, roots, or any portion of Opuntia tuna Mill., O. ficus-indica Mill., and O. monacantha Haw., and of the seeds of burweed (Xanthium spinosum), Mexican poppy (Argemone mexicana L.), and dodder (Cuscuta spp.).

(2) Departmental importations: Importation of the following shall be limited to introductions made by or under the direct supervision of the Department and shall be subject to such precautionary measures, including quarantine, as may be prescribed, and shall be subject also to a permit under subsection (3) hereof having been obtained:

- (a) Grapevines.
- (b) Sugarcane.
- (c) Plants of banana, cocoa, tea, and coffee. (See reg. 11 (2).)
- (d) Plants cultivated for the production of rubber.
- (e) Citrus trees, budwood, and seeds. (See reg. 11 (1).)
- (f) Cottonseed. (See reg. 11 (8).)
- (g) Lucerne (alfalfa) plants and seed.

(3) Special permit required: Importation of the following shall be allowed only under special permit from the Department and shall be subject to any special precautionary measures which may be deemed necessary or expedient, namely:

- (a) Unmanufactured broomcorn derived from Sorghum. (See reg. 11 (3).)
- (b) Unmanufactured cork.
- (c) Coffee seed for propagation.
- (d) Tobacco seeds.
- (e) Acorns and chestnut seeds.
- (f) Seed cotton and unmanufactured cotton lint, exclusive of cotton batting. (See reg. 11 (9).)
- (g) Seeds of maize and barley. (See reg. 11 (4) (5).)
- (h) Tea seed. (See reg. 11 (2).)
- (i) Any other plant or plant product whatever, or living portion thereof, with the exception of fruit, bulbs, tubers, garden vegetables, seeds, and such portions of plants as cannot be propagated, provided that these are not specially prohibited or restricted elsewhere under these regulations. (See reg. 11 (6), (7).)

Plants and Seeds from Scheduled States

Reg. 9. Sets forth the conditions under which plants and seeds may be imported from the Scheduled States of Belgian Congo, Northern Rhodesia, and the Union of South Africa.

Application for Special Permits to Import Certain Plants

Reg. 10. Applications for special permits to import plants into Southern Rhodesia shall be in writing and shall indicate:

- (1) The full name, residence, and postal address of applicant.
- (2) Name and address of person from whom it is proposed to obtain the plants.
- (3) Botanical names or the generally accepted popular names and varietal names of the plants and the number of each variety it is desired to introduce.
- (4) The method of shipment, whether by mail or otherwise; and if not by mail, the port of entry through which the plants are to be introduced.
- (5) The exact locality where it is proposed to grow the plants and whether or not it is intended to propagate from them.
- (6) Any other particulars which the Minister may require.

Conditions of Entry for Plants Imported Under Special Permit

Reg. 11. The following conditions shall apply to the granting of special permits for the introduction into Southern Rhodesia, of the plants, etc., designated, from overseas and nonscheduled African States:

Citrus Trees

- (1) (a) Permits shall be granted only in respect to special varieties or strains which are not procurable in Southern Rhodesia and are judged likely to be of benefit to citrus culture if introduced into the Colony. The decision of the Minister shall be final.

Certificate Required

- (b) The consignment shall be accompanied by a certificate, signed by a responsible official of the Department of Agriculture or other recognized institution in the country concerned, to the effect that the nursery or plantation from which the trees were taken was adequately inspected at a date not more than 3 calendar months prior to shipment and was apparently free at that time from serious insect pests and plant diseases, with special reference to citrus canker (Bacterium citri (Hasse) Doidge). The certificate shall also state that citrus canker is not known to have occurred at any time within 100 miles of the said nursery or plantation.

Tea Plants and Seeds

Reg. 11 (2) Each consignment must be accompanied by an official certificate from the Department of Agriculture or the Indian Tea Association or other recognized institution in the country of origin to the effect that blister blight (Exobasidium vexans Mass.) has not occurred within a radius of 10 miles of the estate or garden on which the plants or seeds were produced.

Broomcorn

Reg. 11 (3) The straws of broomcorn must be detached and the crowns from which they originate must be completely cut away or otherwise cut to shreds.

Maize Seed

Reg. 11 (4) Each consignment must be accompanied by a certificate from the Department of Agriculture or other recognized institution in the country of origin to the effect that Sclerospora diseases of maize have not been known to occur in the district or corresponding administrative division in which the seed was produced. No consignment shall exceed 10 pounds in weight.

Barley Seed

Reg. 11 (5) No consignment shall exceed 10 pounds in weight.

Fruit Trees, Forest Trees, Ornamental Shrubs,
and Woody Plants Generally

Reg. 11 (6) Permits shall not be granted for more than 12 trees or rooted plants or for more than 100 cuttings of any one variety, nor for an aggregate of more than 100 trees or rooted plants or 1,000 cuttings during any one year.

Pome Fruit Trees
Including Ornamental Species of Cydonia, Malus, and Pyrus

Reg. 11 (7) Each consignment shall be accompanied by an official certificate from the Department of Agriculture or other recognized institution in the country of origin, stating that fire-blight (Bacillus amylovorus (Burr.) Trev.) is not known in the premises where the plants were grown.

Cottonseed

Reg. 11 (9) Permits shall be granted for the introduction of seed cotton and lint only under special justifying circumstances and subject to special precautions. Trade samples of cotton lint shall not exceed 1 pound in weight.

Regulations 12, 13, and 14 do not concern the shipper.

Form of Certificate Prescribed

Reg. 15. In cases where certificates of cleanliness based on actual inspection of a consignment by an approved official are required, a certificate in the form shown on page 9 shall be utilized.

REGULATIONS ON THE IMPORTATION OF POTATOES

Shipper's Declaration of Origin and Wart Certificate Required

Reg. 16. No person shall introduce or cause to be introduced into Southern Rhodesia from overseas any potato tubers, unless he produces and delivers up to an inspector:

(1) A statement on oath from the consigner stating fully in what country and what particular place or places in that country the potatoes were grown, and containing particulars clearly establishing the identity of the consignment. (See prescribed form, p.10.)

(2) A certificate from the Department of Agriculture of the declared country, or a certificate from some official institution of that country which the Director of Agriculture, Southern Rhodesia, has agreed to recognize in lieu of such Department, certifying at a date not more than 30 days before the time of the dispatch of the consignment that wart disease (Synchytrium endobioticum (Schilb.) Perc.) has not been known to exist, as far as it is aware, within 5 miles of the places in which the potatoes are declared to have been grown. (See prescribed form, p. 9.)

Provided that the certificate made necessary by regulation 16 (2) shall not be required in respect of any consignment from a country:

- (a) If the government thereof has certified to the Administration of Southern Rhodesia that the said disease has not been known to exist in that country and if the government has undertaken to inform the Administration of Southern Rhodesia of any outbreak, and if information recording an outbreak has not been received; or
- (b) If the consignee produces from the Department of Agriculture or other aforesaid recognized institution of the declared country of origin a certificate, dated within 9 months of the day of arrival of the potatoes concerned, to the effect that the specified disease has not been known to exist, as far as it is aware, in the shire, county, department, or other such territorial division comprising the place or places in which the potatoes are declared to have been grown; but if required by an inspector, the consignee shall deliver up an attested copy of the certificate herein provided for.

Potatoes Infested with Root-knot Nematode not Admitted

Reg. 17. Any consignment of potatoes imported from any source, if found on inspection to be infested with the pest known as root gallworm or root-knot eelworm ((Heterodera radiculicola) marioni Cornu) or with any other species of eelworm injurious to plants, shall be refused admittance into Southern Rhodesia or destroyed.

Wart-Infected Potatoes Destroyed

Reg. 18. Should any consignment on arrival be found to be infected with wart disease, it shall be totally destroyed by fire.

Regs. 19 and 20 relate to the transit of plants through Southern Rhodesia.

Reg. 21 relates to penalties.

PRESCRIBED FORM OF PHYTOSANITARY CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that I, (name, title, and address of authorized official), have today and immediately prior to shipment thoroughly examined a representative sample of the living plants or plant products for which this certificate is required, contained in the following consignment: Description (including name and address of exporter and consignee), stated to have been grown at (locality where grown), that the said plants or plant products have/have not been inspected in the field, (any other remarks) , and that I have been unable to discover evidence of the presence of any insect pest or plant disease in the said shipment, except as follows:

In particular, the following pests or diseases have been looked for and not found:

The consignment covered by this certificate has been treated in the following manner:

Date of issue
Place of issue

Signature of official.

Official seal.

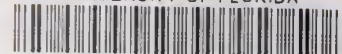
PRESCRIBED CERTIFICATE FOR POTATOES

Official Wart Disease Certificate
To Accompany shipments of Potatoes to Southern Rhodesia

The undersigned, under authority of the Department of Agriculture of , hereby certifies that the potato disease known as wart disease, and ascribed to the fungus Synchytrium endobioticum (Schilb.) Perc. has not, so far as is known to the Department of Agriculture, been known to exist within 5 miles of in the district of

Signature
Title
Address

Date and official stamp or seal.



SHIPPER'S DECLARATION OF ORIGIN FOR POTATOES

To accompany shipments of potatoes to Southern Rhodesia.

To be completed within 30 days of the wart disease certificate.

I, the undersigned, member of the
firm of , consignor of cases,
each containing net weight of potatoes, for
purposes and marked , to be shipped per
steamer , from to
do hereby declare that the potatoes herein referred to were all grown
at , in the district of
in .

(Signature of shipper)

Declared at , this day of
19 , before me

Name and title of officer
administering oath.